



# UPDATE FROM CRF ,2017

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# Corporate Registers Forum 2017 ,Conference held at Kowloon Shangri –La Hotel –Hong Kong .





ROLE:



## CROSSING BOUNDARIES, BUILDING RELATIONS



- The CRF is an association Of International Corporate registries .The membership is open to government agencies and their officials responsible for the administration of body corporate registers .

# Objectives

- ✓ Create Opportunities
- ✓ Exchange Experiences
- ✓ Share Information
- ✓ Support
- ✓ Inspiring Innovation



# CRF AIM

- Our aim is to provide members and other delegates with the opportunity to review the latest developments in corporate business registers internationally and exchange experiences and information on the present and future operation of corporate business registration systems.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**President** – Australia – Ms Rosanne Bell

**Secretary** - New Zealand represented by Mr. Michael Brosnahan

**Assistant Secretary** - Singapore represented by Ms. K Latha

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**Executive Committee- Singapore represented by Ms Khiaw  
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**Zambia represented by Mr Anthony Bwembya**

**New Zealand represented by Mr Ross Van der Schyff**

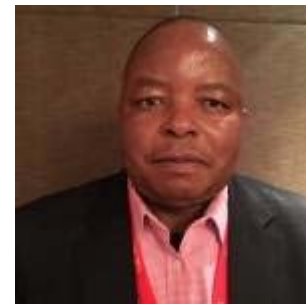
**Malaysia represented by Ms Zahrah Abd Wahab Fenner**

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**Conference Director- Botswana represented by Mr Conductor**

# CRF EXECUTIVE



## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **60 JURISDICTIONS, 5 CONTINENTS, OPEN TO ALL**

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BANGLADESH  
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BRAZIL – RIO DE JANEIRO  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS  
CAMBODIA  
CANADA  
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GERMANY – NORTH RHINE-  
GHANA  
GIBRALTAR  
GUERNSEY  
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IRELAND  
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**The 2017 Corporate Registers Forum conference was held in Hong Kong ,Asia's World City !**

The year 2017 marked the 20th Anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

“The theme for 2017 of the Conference is “Corporate Registries – Challenges and Opportunities, Today and Tomorrow”.

The Events guest was ;

**Ada Chung**

Registrar of Companies, Hong Kong.

The event took place from Mon 6<sup>th</sup> march to Fri 10<sup>th</sup> march which included a tour to the Company Register and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.



## **2017 CONFERENCE DISCUSSIONS INCLUDED:**

- ✓ The International Business Registers Report 2017
- ✓ Reform of Business system & facilitation of Enterprise Registrations .
- ✓ Beneficial ownership
- ✓ Use of Information Technology –Technological Collaboration & One stop Platform
- ✓ Transparency v Privacy (What data is collected and published)
- ✓ Regional Breakout sessions
- ✓ Biggest changes/challenges - top 10 issues affecting
- ✓ Corporate Registers –Opportunities for tomorrow !

# Presentations- Ada Chung –Hong Kong Registrar of Companies



# Presentations-Anthony Bwembya – Registrar & Ceo ,PACRA ,Zambia



# Presentations



# **Presentations-Tim Moss ,President CRF ,Outgoing ,( Ex Executive & Registrar ,Companies House ,U.K )**





## **Other News**

Rosanne Bell ,Senior Executive Leader ,Australian Securities and Investments Commission has been appointed as the president of CRF .She replaces Tim Moss will be leaving his role as the Chief Executive and Registrar of Companies House U.K

The focus of the workshop was on electronic corporate registries and new e-business registration initiatives that leverage on information and digital technology.

The speakers shared best practices on corporate registration reforms, developing online corporate registration.

## FUTURE PLANS:

- ✓ Increase membership
- ✓ Active role in the benchmarking survey
- ✓ Develop technical workshops / webinars
- ✓ Promote and Develop Regional Chapters
- ✓ Improve communication and sharing good practice
- ✓ Continue to develop the links with IACA, ASORLAC and ECRF
- ✓ Provide technical input to UNICTRAL on relevant Law Models



# NEXT CRF CONFERENCE: BOTSWANA, GABORONE MARCH 2017

**Programme details & Hotel accommodation will be announced at a  
dedicated website**





*Thank  
You*

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